



## Minutes for the Travis County Commissioners Court July 13, 2021 Voting Session

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### Call to Order

Meeting called to order on July 13, 2021, in the Travis County Administration Building, Commissioners Courtroom, 700 Lavaca Street, 1st Floor, Austin, TX, Dana DeBeauvoir, County Clerk, was represented by Deputy Gillian Porter and Lorie Hernandez.

Present: County Judge Andy Brown  
Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion  
Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea  
Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard  
Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret J. Gómez

*Clerk's Note: The members of the Commissioners Court discussed the voting session being held by video conference and that several Commissioners are not physically present.*

**MOTION:** Each Commissioner not physically present delegates the authority to the County Judge to sign any documents, including orders related to items before the court today on their behalf.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

**MOVER:** County Judge Andy Brown

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

### Consent

- C1. Receive Bids from County Purchasing Agent. (Commissioner Travillion)
- C2. Approve Payment of Claims by County Treasurer. (Judge Brown)
- C3. Authorize the County Treasurer to invest County funds. (Judge Brown)
- C4. Approve the minutes for the Voting Sessions of June 8, 15, 22, and 29, 2021 and the Special Voting Session of June 8, 2021.  
(Judge Brown)

**MOTION:** Approve Items C1-C4.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED – UNANIMOUS**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion  
**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard,  
Margaret Gómez

### **Second Consent Motion**

**MOTION:** Approve Items 5, 6, 7.a-b, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15.a-b, 16, 17, 18.a-b, 20, and 21.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion  
**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard,  
Margaret Gómez

*Clerk's Note: The Judge asked the Court to add Item 9 to the Consent Motion.*

**MOTION:** Add Item 9 to the Consent Motion.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez  
**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard,  
Margaret Gómez

### **Public Hearings**

1. Receive public input on the following public comment draft documents:
  - A. PY21 Action Plan, which was posted for a 30-day public comment (June 23-July 23);
  - B. PY20 Action Plan substantially amended, which was posted for a 30-day public comment (June 23-July 23);
  - C. PY19 Action Plan/PY19-23 ConPlan substantially amended, which was posted for a 5-day public comment (July 12-July 16); and
  - D. The Travis County Citizen Participation Plan substantially amended, which was posted for a 15-day public comment June 23-July 7, 2021.  
(Judge Brown & Commissioner Gomez)

**MOTION:** Open the Public Hearing.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

Members of the Court heard from:

Monique Coleman, Planning Manager, Community Development Block Grant Program. Travis County Health and Human Services (HHS)  
Zenobia Joseph, Travis County resident  
Arthur Graves, Travis County resident

**MOTION:** Close the Public Hearing.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

2. Receive comments concerning daily road closures in the Walnut Place subdivision at Springdale Rd and US Hwy 290, beginning on or about September 26, 2021, and continuing through January 13, 2022, or until work is complete, in Precinct One. (Commissioner Travillion)

*Clerk's Note: The Court approved without objection the opening of the Public Hearing.*

Members of the Court heard from:

Scott Lambert, Engineer, Road Maintenance, Transportation and Natural Resources (TNR)

**MOTION:** Close the Public Hearing.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

## **Emergency Services**

3. Consider and take appropriate action regarding the following:
  - A. Outdoor burning in the unincorporated areas of Travis County.
  - B. County response to natural disaster or other emergency. (Judge Brown)

**RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY**

4. Receive briefing and take appropriate action regarding items related to the County's response to and recovery from COVID-19, including but not limited to:
  - A. Periodic update from the Austin/Travis County Public Health Authority
  - B. Vaccine distribution, operations, and associated agreements
  - C. Rental & utility assistance programs and initiatives
  - D. Other necessary measures and actions (Judge Brown)

Members of the Court heard from:

Chuck Brotherton, County Executive, Emergency Services  
Dr. Desmar Walkes, Health Authority, Austin Public Health and Health  
Authority, Austin-Travis County  
Adrienne Stururp, Interim Director, Austin Public Health (APH)  
Ken Bailey Chief, Emergency Services District #11 (ESD #11)  
George Morales III, Constable, Precinct 4  
Sherri Fleming, County Executive, HHS

**RESULT: DISCUSSED**

5. Consider and take appropriate action on an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement for Medical Examiner Services between Travis County and Kinney County. (Commissioners Shea & Howard)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

**Health & Human Services**

6. Consider and take appropriate action to approve Modification No. 9 increasing the amount of SAMHSA grant funds in the System of Care interlocal agreement with Integral Care for FY21. (Judge Brown & Commissioner Gomez)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

**Intergovernmental Relations**

7. Consider and take appropriate action on appointments to the Sobering Center Board of Directors:
  - A. Reappoint Jana Ortega for an additional term set to expire September 30, 2024; and

- B. Issue a Call for Applications in order to fill a vacancy with a term set to expire September 30, 2024  
(Judge Brown)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

## **Planning & Budget**

8. Consider and take appropriate action on budget amendments, transfers and discussion items. (Commissioner Gómez)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

## **Purchasing**

9. Approve Modification No. 6, in the amount of \$61,972.80, to Contract No. 4400001067 with Mentis Technology, Inc. for Courtroom Docket Management System. (Civil and Criminal Courts) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

10. Approve Interlocal Agreement No. 4600000600, with Austin-Travis County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Center dba Austin Travis County Integral Care (ATCIC), an as needed contract, for the provision of care managed services organizations for behavioral health supports and services, including the provision of Children Behavioral Health Services. (Juvenile Probation) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

11. Approve ratification and modification of Modification No. 49, in the amount of \$15,900.00, to Contract No. 4400000562 with Easy Access, Inc., for Tax Office Computer System. (Tax Office) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

12. Approve contract award for the Gregg Lane at Wilbarger Creek Improvements Project, IFB No. 2103-010-RJ, in the amount of \$3,134,204.09, to the low bidder, James Construction Group, LLC. (Transportation and Natural Resources) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: NO ACTION NECESSARY**

13. Approve contract award for Commercial Driving License training services, RFS No. 2103-005-JR, on an as needed basis, to the sole respondent, Community Truck Driving School (CTDS). (Justice Planning) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

14. Approve Modification No. 1 to Contract No. 4400005566 with Richards, Rodriguez & Skeith, LLP., in the amount of \$50,000.00, for legal services. (County Attorney's Office) (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

### **Technology & Operations**

15. Consider and take appropriate action on the following items for Human Resources Management Department:
  - A. Routine Personnel Actions
  - B. Non-Routine Personnel  
(Commissioners Gomez & Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

### **Transportation & Natural Resources**

16. Approve setting a public hearing on Tuesday, July 20, 2021, to receive comments concerning a temporary detour and restriction of all traffic on Priem Lane beginning on or about July 26, 2021, and continuing through August 6, 2021, or until work is complete, in Precinct One. (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

17. Consider and take appropriate action regarding a request to approve a Reimbursement and Joint Use Agreement with Manville Water Supply Corporation for the design and construction of waterline adjustments and relocations in order to accommodate the County's proposed Blake Manor Road Improvement Project in Precinct One. (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

18. Consider and take appropriate action on the following requests associated with the Village of Hidden Lakes Commercial project in Precinct One:
  - A. Construction Agreement with BLD VOHL 6A-1,LLC.
  - B. Cash Security Agreement with BLD VOHL 6A-1, LLC. (Commissioner Travillion)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

19. Consider and take appropriate action on the proposed amendment to the FM 969 Pass-Through Finance Agreement and associated resolution regarding funding for the FM 969 Pass-Through Finance Project in Precinct One. (Commissioner Travillion)

Members of the Court heard from:

David Greear, Assistant Director, Public Works and Capital Improvement Projects, TNR

**MOTION:** Approve Item 19.  
**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**  
**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 1 Jeffrey Travillion  
**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea  
**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

20. Consider and take appropriate action regarding a temporary detour and restriction of all traffic on Linden Road for construction beginning on or about July 14, 2021, and continuing through July 14, 2022, or until work is complete, in Precinct Four. (Commissioner Gomez)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

21. Consider and take appropriate action on a plat for recording: Lakewood Estates, Amended Plat of Lots 76 and 77 - (one single-family lot – 1.26 acres) – 20811 W. Colorado Drive – Village of Briarcliff ETJ in Precinct Three. (Commissioner Howard)

**RESULT: ADDED TO CONSENT**

## Executive Session

The Commissioners Court will consider the following items in Executive Session. The Commissioners Court may also consider any other matter posted on the agenda if there are issues that require consideration in Executive Session and the Commissioners Court announces that the item will be considered during Executive Session.

*Note 1: Gov't Code Ann 551.071, Consultation with Attorney*

*Note 2: Gov't Code Ann 551.072, Real Property*

*Note 3: Gov't Code Ann 551.074, Personnel Matters*

*Note 4: Gov't Code Ann 551.076, Security*

*Note 5: Gov't Code Ann 551.087, Economic Development Negotiations*

*Note 6 Gov't Code Ann 551.089, IT Security*

22. Receive an update on the Colorado River Project, LLC (also referred to as Tesla), and consider and take appropriate action, regarding:
- A. Agreement with Tesla to extend Harold Green Road and status; <sup>1</sup> & 2
  - B. Permitting and compliance issues; <sup>1</sup>
  - C. Amendment, modification, or extension of Economic Development Performance Agreement, Colorado River Project, LLC (Tesla); <sup>1</sup> and
  - D. Other related issues. <sup>1</sup> & 2  
(Commissioner Travillion)

*Judge Brown announced that Items 22.a-d would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation with Attorney and Gov't. Code Ann. 551.072, Real Property.*

**RESULT: DISCUSSED**

**Added Items**

- A1. Receive briefing from Housing Authority of Travis County, Strategic Housing Finance Corporation of Travis County, County Staff, and others regarding mitigation efforts at Rosemont at Oak Valley, located at 2800 Collins Creek Drive, and at any other housing in response to the 2021 Natural Disaster/Catastrophe - Winter Storm that may impact the response to and recovery from COVID-19 and take appropriate action, including but not limited to:
- A. Directing staff to take appropriate steps to assist finding housing;
  - B. Allocate necessary funding; and
  - C. Any other necessary steps.  
(Judge Brown & Commissioner Gómez)

*Judge Brown announced that Items A1.a-c would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation.*

Members of the Court heard from:

Patrick Howard, CEO, Strategic Housing Finance Corporation  
Arthur Jimenez, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
Gloria Vera-Bedilla, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
April Combs, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
Daniel Garza, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
Brenda Ochilla, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
Sabe Force, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident

Erica Cervantes, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
 Wendy Volcy, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
 Auguste Santiago, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
 Linda Hernandez-Padilla, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
 Kecia Prince, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
 Cynthia Vasquez, Travis County resident  
 Maria Chavez, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
 Ashley Chavez, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
 David King, Travis County resident  
 Delorea Eichardo, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
 Claudia Wilson, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
 Martin Maldonado, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
 Gavino Fernandez, Jr., President, League of United Latin American Citizens (LULAC)  
 Janette Mathew, Travis County resident  
 Bertha Rendon-delgado, Community Development Commissioner, City of Austin  
 Paul Rodriguez, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
 Erica Reyes, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident  
 Joey Gidseg, Co-founder, Justice in Reach  
 Nadia Majidi, Rosemont at Oak Valley resident

- MOTION:** Approve
1. The list of demands as submitted to the Commissioners Court by the residents on July 9, 2021, which came from the tenants themselves,
  2. Halt the eviction notices immediately,
  3. Find the resources from Travis County to assist the residents through either the Travis County Housing Authority or through other expenses we may find are necessary
  4. Help move some of the residents to the vacant apartments that don't have any damage.

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4, Margaret Gómez

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 2, Brigid Shea

#### **FRIENDLY**

**AMENDMENT:** Develop a mechanism to instigate an investigation into management practices at all properties owned by Travis County where management has been contracted out.

**MADE BY:** Commissioner Precinct 2, Brigid Shea

#### **SECOND**

#### **FRIENDLY**

**AMENDMENT:** Take a current state inventory of all the properties that Travis County has an interest in, and that we set priority to addressing the needs by condition of that facility.

**MADE BY:** Commissioner J Precinct 1, Jeffrey Travillion

**WITHDRAWAL  
OF STANDING  
MOTION**

**MADE BY:** Commissioner Precinct 4, Margaret Gómez

**MOTION:** Based on representation by the Housing Authority made today that residents do not have to vacate their residences by the end of the month, I move that Travis County resolve to support the demands of the residents and direct staff of both the Strategic Financial Housing Corporation and the County staff to come back to the Commissioners Court with a plan to address the spirit of the issues that were raised and to acknowledge Travis County's willingness to help with some relocation costs as needed.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 4 Margaret Gómez

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

- A2. Receive briefing and take appropriate action regarding *County of Travis v. Purdue Pharma, L.P. et al.*, Cause No. D-1-GN-18-000625 in the 261st Judicial District Court of Travis County, and *In re: National Prescription Opiate Litigation*, MDL 2804 Case No.1:17-md-2804 in the United States District Court, Northern District of Ohio, Eastern Division, and *In re: Purdue Pharma L.P., et al.*, Case No. 19-23649, United States Bankruptcy Court, Southern District of New York, and related matters.<sup>1</sup> (Judge Brown)

*Judge Brown announced that Item A2 would be considered in Executive Session pursuant to Gov't. Code Ann. 551.071, Consultation.*

**MOTION:** Authorize the County Attorney and opioid outside counsel vote in favor of the Purdue bankruptcy reorganization plans.

**RESULT:** **APPROVED - UNANIMOUS**

**MOVER:** Commissioner Precinct 3 Ann Howard

**SECONDER:** Commissioner Precinct 2 Brigid Shea

**AYES:** Andy Brown, Jeffrey Travillion, Brigid Shea, Ann Howard, Margaret Gómez

**Adjourn**

**Minutes Approved by the Commissioners Court**

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Date of Approval

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Andy Brown, County Judge